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BASIC DATA OF THE AUTOMATIC SPACE STATION "ALMAZ-1B"

Proton Launch vehicle

Operational orbit parameters:

350-400 km Altitude Inclination 73 grad

18,550 kg On-orbit mass

up to 4,500 kg On-board scientific equipment mass

up to 3 years Active operation time

Orientation & stabilization accuracy:

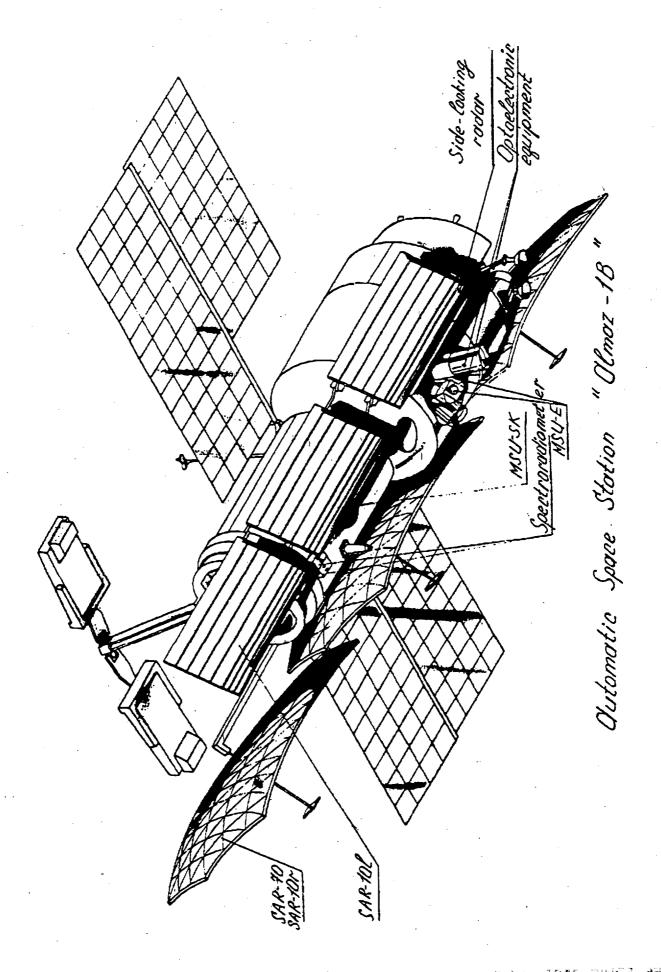
15-30 min. of arc Orientation Stabilization 4-6 min. of arc

Power-generating system characteristics:

Available average power per turn 2,300-3,300 W • Maximum power (at peak load up 8,600 W to 15-20 min.)

ALMAZ-1B AUTOMATIC SPACE STATION

- 1. SAR 70 SAR - 10 r
- 2. SAR 10 1
- 3. Multizonal Scanner MSU-SK
- 4. Spectroradiometer
- 5. Multizonal Scanner MSU-E
- 6. Side-looking Radar
- 7. Optoelectronic Equipment



PRINCIPAL TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF REMOTE SENSING EQUIPMENT ON THE ALMAZ-1B SPACE STATION

A Set of Variant 1

1.	Principal technical characteristics	of radar equipment
1.1.	Synthetic aperture radar	SAR-10
	Operating wavelength range Polarization	9, 6 cm - horizontal (port) - horizontal or vertical (starboard)
·	Scanning direction Angle of sight from nadir while turning Scanning field for re-shooting while turning Time of continuous survey Mode of operation scanning field resolution 25 - 50 km 7 - 7 m	
1.2.	Operating wavelength range Polarization Scanning direction Angle of sight from nadir Scanning field for re-shooting while turning Time of continuous survey scanning Scanning field Resolution	SAR-70 70 cm horizontal or vertical starboard 25 - 50 grad 320 km up to 1,200 s 100 - 150 km 15 - 25 m
1.3.	Side-looking radar Angle of sight from nadir while turning Operating wavelength Swath width Resolution	25 - 55 grad 3, 6 cm 450 km 400 - 1,200 m
2.	Optoelectronic equipment for stern Number of operating ranges Resolution on the ground Swath width	reophotography 5 2-4 m 70 km

3.	Characteristics of multizone electronic scanner	high-resolution MSU-E
	Number of operating ranges Resolution on the ground Swath width	3 10 m 2 x 24 km
	Potential angles of view Number of on-board sets	32 grad 2

4. Characteristics of multizone middle-resolution optomechanical scanner MSU-SK Number of operating ranges 5

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Resolution on the ground	
- in visual range	80
- in IR range	300 m
Swath width	300 km

5. Characteristics of spectroradiometer for ocean satellite monitoring

Scanning field	2 x 1,100 km
Number of spectral zones	11
Boundaries of spectral zones	0.4 - 12.5 mkm
Linear resolution at nadir	0.6 km
Temperature resolution	0.1 K

6. Information transmission

Direct transmission to available receiving stations located on the Russian territory and abroad

Data collection on board and transmission to these stations when flown over

Data collection on board and transmission via relay-satellite to central receiving station

7. Effectiveness of information reception

Directly to receiving	stations	no more 12 h
via relay-satellite	•	no more 2.5 h

8. Rate of information transmission

Directly to receiving stations	122.8 Mbit/s
Via relay-satellite	10 Mbit/s
Direct transmission to mobile and	3 Mbit/s or
small receiving stations	960 Kbit/s

MAIN FIELDS AND DIRECTIONS OF ALMAZ-1B SPACE INFORMATION APPLICATION

CARTOGRAPHY

- · Updating and completing topographic and thematic maps
- · Cities development planning
- · Transport networks planning
- Mapping of shelf shallow sections

LAND MONITORING

- Information supply of earth catastrophe, lands, forests, pastures and water resources
- · Compiling soil maps and determining humus content
- · Taking inventory and forecasting harvest yield
- · Determining soil temperature and moisture content
- · Detecting underground water sources

GEOLOGY

- · Revealing perspective areas for mineral prospecting
- Geologic mapping
- · Planning and controlling mineral/raw-mineral base
- · Specifying data of mining and oil-bearing regions
- · Monitoring large open-cast mining development

ECOLOGICAL MONITORING

- Controlling chemical compounds content in soil
- · Controlling technogenic actions
- Controlling soil salinization and desertness
- Controlling soil erosion
- Controlling pollution of water surfaces with petroleum products
- · Revealing underground unpermitted burials of industrial waste

OCEANOLOGY, PILOTAGE, FISHERY

- · Evaluating ice conditions for pilotage
- Controlling chlorophyll content, evaluating bio-productivity of the world's ocean regions
- Studying the world's oceans and seas
- Compiling ocean temperature maps, pollution recording, studying fronts, currents, water, wind, etc.

INFORMATION SUPPLY DURING EMERGENCY

- Controlling situation in geologically dangerous regions (earthquakes, mudslides, avalanches, volcanic eruptions)
- Detecting forest and peat fires
- Controlling situation during accidents at industrial sites (fires, explosions, construction crashing down)

Controlling situation in large transport accident regions including underground product tubes
Controlling situation in hydrodynamic accident regions (dams, locks,

sewage works)